

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

This is a Response to the Office Action mailed May 31, 2005, in which a one (1) month Shortened Statutory Period for Response has been set, due to expire June 30, 2005. Twenty (20) claims, including two (2) independent claims, were paid for in the application. Enclosed is our check to cover the fee for three additional dependent claims. The Director is authorized to charge any additional fees due by way of this Amendment, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-1090.

Claim 1 is pending. Claims 2-20 are cancelled. Claims 21-42 are pending upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment.

Election/Restrictions

In paragraph 1 of the Office Action, the Examiner has restricted the examination of the present application to a Group 1 invention represented by claim 1, or a Group 2 invention represented by claims 2-20. Applicants elect the Group 1 invention for examination.

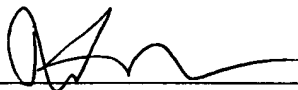
Preliminary Amendment

Applicants are amending the specification and adding new claims 21-42. Applicants submit that no new matter has been added.

Conclusion

In light of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that the Application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and a Notice of Allowance are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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